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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND SUBSTRATE

PROCESSING METHOD

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application 32 pages, including 5 independent claims and 11 claims total.
- 2. Drawings 13 sheets of formal drawings containing 16 figures (figures 1-14).
- 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to TOKYO ELECTRON LIMITED.
- 5. One certified copy each of Japanese Application Nos. 2003-052082, filed February 27, 2003 and 2003-309428, filed September 1, 2003.
- 6. Information Disclosure Statement and Information Disclosure Citation, PTO 1449 with 1 document attached.

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7. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$	770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	11	-	20		x \$18		-
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application Nos. 2003-052082, filed February 27, 2003 and 2003-309428, filed September 1, 2003.

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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